

**COMBINED AMENDMENT & PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF  
TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a) (Small Entity)**Docket No.  
RU-0124

In Re Application Of: Breslauer et al.

Serial No.  
09/869,004Filing Date  
January 24, 2002Examiner  
Tung, JoyceGroup Art Unit  
1637Invention: **Methods and Kits for Screening Nucleic Acid Duplex Stability**TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

This is a combined amendment and petition under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a response to the Office Action of November 17, 2003 in the above-identified application.

Date

The requested extension is as follows (check time period desired):

☐ One month    ☒ Two months    ☐ Three months    ☐ Four months    ☐ Five months

from: February 18, 2004

Date

until: April 17, 2004

Date

A verified statement of small entity status as a small entity under 37 CFR 1.27:

- ☐ is enclosed.  
☒ has already been filed in this application.

The fee for the amendment and extension of time has been calculated as shown below:

## CLAIMS AS AMENDED

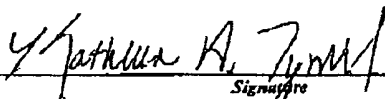
	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST # PREV. PAID FOR	NUMBER EXTRA CLAIMS PRESENT	RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
TOTAL CLAIMS	7	121	0	x \$9.00	\$0.00
INDEP. CLAIMS	6	12	0	x \$42.00	\$0.00
FEE FOR AMENDMENT					\$0.00
FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME					\$210.00
TOTAL FEE FOR AMENDMENT AND EXTENSION OF TIME					\$210.00

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The fee for the amendment and extension of time is to be paid as follows:

- ☐ A check in the amount of \$210.00 for the amendment and extension of time is enclosed.
- ☒ Please charge Deposit Account No. 50-1619 in the amount of \$210.00.
- ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-1619
- ☒ Any additional filing fees required under 37 C.F.R. 1.16.
- ☒ Any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17.
- ☒ If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor and charge any additional fees which may be required to Deposit Account No. 50-1619

  
Signature

Dated: April 15, 2004

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